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TITLE: SYSTEM FOR TERMINATING MULTICAST CHANNEL AND DATA
BROADCAST WHEN AT LEAST TWO SECOND ENDPOINTS DO NOT
TRANSMIT POSITIVE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT MESSAGE TO FIRST ENDPOINT
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
STATUS OF CLAIMS AND SUPPORT FOR CLAIM CHANGES
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.173(c)**

SIR/MADAM:

Prior to the examination of this reissue application, kindly enter the following
new claim:

1 16. (New) In a system wherein a first endpoint is providing data to a plurality
2 of second endpoints each connected by a point-to-point communication channel with said
3 first endpoint, an automatic method for optimizing the transmission of said data to said
4 plurality of second endpoints comprising the following steps:

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